

State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation

WHEREAS, one in 4 Vermonters seek assistance from the Vermont Foodbank, 34,000 of whom are children under the age of 18; and

WHEREAS, hunger exacts a terrible and spiraling cost upon individuals, especially children and seniors; and

WHEREAS, hunger continues to grow and directly or indirectly affects every Vermonter; and

WHEREAS, the solutions to hunger begin with education, advocacy, and action within every Vermont community; and

WHEREAS, Vermonters have an opportunity to participate in a meaningful way that will engage the community, raise awareness, and make a tangible contribution in the fight against hunger in Vermont; and

WHEREAS, the Harpoon Point to Point presented by National Life Group bicycle ride was created in 2002 to raise funds for the Vermont Foodbank's mission to ensure no one in Vermont goes hungry; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, Governor, do hereby proclaim August 13, 2016 as

BIKE TO FIGHT HUNGER DAY

in Vermont and call upon citizens of Vermont to join in the fight against hunger by biking in the Harpoon Point to Point presented by National Life Group to benefit the Vermont Foodbank.



Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 21st day of July, A.D. 2016

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'P' followed by a long horizontal stroke.

Peter Shumlin
Governor